IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: NIHEI, Mizuhisa, et al.

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For. SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: October 2, 2006

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated May 31, 2006 for one month, from August 31, 2006, to September 30, 2006.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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